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Title: Mariah

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Mariah is one of the Companions of the Avatar. She is based on Richard Garriott's personal secretary, Michelle Caddel, in Origin.

She is native of Earth, and friend of Lord British. In Britannia Mariah is a Mage, and made her home in the island town of Moonglow. In Ultima IV she gladly joined the future Avatar in his/her quest to find the Codex of Ultimate Wisdom.

She was declared an outlaw in Ultima V, and had to hide in the Lycaeum. She was glad when the Avatar arrived, joining the party on the quest to topple Blackthorn's tyrannic regime. After these events, she continued to work in the Lycaeum. The Avatar found her there in Ultima VI. She gladly translated the Book of Prophecies for the Avatar, after he/she had brought her the complete Silver Tablet.

Mariah continued to work in the Lycaeum, but the disrupted Ether caused by the Tetrahedron Generator made it impossible for her to make even one clear thought. She was in a

sorry state by Ultima VII, and didn't even recognize her friends, acting almost totally mad. After the Generator was destroyed, and her mind clear again and, frightened at how much time she had missed, assisted the Avatar by selling spells and reagents.

In Ultima IX, she was seduced by the columns, but in the end, became herself again, and even told the Avatar about the rite of renewal.